



TOWNSHIP OF UPPER UWCHLAN  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
February 17, 2009 (Tuesday)

*Approved with a revision in italics*

Attending:

Board of Supervisors

Kevin C. Kerr, Chairperson

Guy A. Donatelli, Vice-Chairperson

Catherine A. Tomlinson, Member

Township Administration

John J. Roughan, Jr., Township Manager

Gwen A. Jonik, Township Secretary

Karen Wertz, Treasurer

Cheryl Neri, Assistant Treasurer

John DeMarco, Police Chief

Al Gaspari, Codes Administrator

Dave Leh, P.E., Gilmore & Associates

Mr. Kerr called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., led the salute to the flag and offered a moment of silence.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to approve as presented the minutes of the February 2, 2009 Board of Supervisors' meeting. The Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Payments

Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to approve the payments to vendors as listed February 15 - 21, 2009. Mrs. Tomlinson questioned payment to Ray Ott Associates and requested payment be held pending explanation of work completed. The Motion, modified by Mrs. Tomlinson's request, carried unanimously. Mr. Donatelli abstained from check #37906 as it is a client of his Firm.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to accept as presented the Balance Sheet dated January 31, 2009. The Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisors' Report

Mr. Kerr announced an Executive Session had been held at 6:00 p.m. this evening regarding a real estate matter.

Mrs. Tomlinson moved, seconded by Mr. Donatelli, to appoint Kris Kuzmick, a member of the Township's Park & Rec Board, as the Downingtown Area Recreation Consortium (DARC) Representative. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kerr read the following Emergency Services monthly report for January: Ludwigs Corner – 2 fire calls; Lionville – 7 fire calls; Uwchlan Ambulance – 33 calls.

Mr. Kerr announced the details of a Storm Water Management Seminar regarding "The Role of Authorities" being held in Norristown on Friday, February 20, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. – Noon. The public is invited to attend.

Mr. Kerr read the following calendar: February 24, 2009 4:00 p.m. Board of Supervisors' Workshop; March 2, 2009 7:00 p.m. Board of Supervisors' Meeting; March 16, 2009 7:00 p.m. Board of Supervisors' Meeting.

#### Township Manager's Report

John Roughan reported the Upland Farm Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet March 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.; the Declaration of Covenants has been received for the Shryock Paper Mill Subdivision, which the Township Solicitor will review for potential signature by the Board in March; and a meeting is being scheduled with PennDOT to review the final details of the Turnpike walkway bridge.

Steve McNaughton commented the Turnpike plans to widen the roadway to the Downingtown interchange. John Roughan advised the walkway bridge agreement has a contingency that PennDOT/Turnpike Authority would replace the walkway bridge if/when the turnpike gets widened. Mr. Donatelli advised that while investigating sound barriers along the Turnpike he learned the widening phase wouldn't begin until after 2010.

#### Township Engineer's Report

Dave Leh reported that Toll has presented a new sketch plan for Byers Station Parcel 5-C, which the Planning Commission reviewed last week *and is not pleased*. A pre-bid conference was held for the Graphite Mine Road Field Project (TU-1) this morning, attended by 15 contractors which signals a very competitive bid situation. The bids will be opened February 24 and target March 2 Supervisors' meeting for award.

#### Code Administrator's Report

Al Gaspari reported 14 building permits were issued in January, totaling \$3,109.00. There have been calls from sign companies confirming our regulations as they are trying to boost their business by peddling re-design of signs. St. Elizabeth's awarded the contract for construction of their gymnasium and business office. Field #2 at Hickory Park sustained damage when someone drove through it. Public Works will repair the field when the ground is workable. We are working with an electrical engineer to plan for the lighting at Fellowship Fields, getting underground work (conduit, irrigation) completed in 2009.

Don Carlson suggested protecting Hickory Park overnight with a gate, and commented on the increase of real estate signs. Al Gaspari advised he has written to the party who posts the signs detailing our regulations. Steve McNaughton commented on the number of sports team registration signs. Steve Senn, Jr. commented the sports teams signs increased when the school wouldn't allow the distribution of flyers anymore. Links to the local sports organizations are posted on the Township website.

#### Police Chief's Report

Chief DeMarco reported the Department handled 716 complaints in January, including 10 criminal arrests.

Steve Senn, Jr., thanked the Chief for the recent police presence on East Township Line Road. Bob Feters, Jr. questioned if the Officers are periodically tested for drug and alcohol. Chief replied they are tested when hired.

#### Administration

The agenda item regarding authorizing the advertisement of the Open Space, Recreation and Environmental Resource Plan is tabled until the next meeting in order to address some residents' concerns.

#### Open Session

Don Carlson read a prepared statement in response to today's *Daily Local News* article regarding a residency agreement for Upland Farm.

Jim Dewees commented that the storm water pipe repair on East Township Line Road has settled and needs to be addressed.

Steve McNaughton commented on an email received from a group named "SAVE" regarding the AES pipeline that implies Upper Uwchlan joined forces to request a "stay" on the project. Mr. Donatelli advised that the Township has not done so.

Bob Feters, Jr. commented on the condition of the cul-de-sac at the end of Green Valley Road.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Mr. Kerr adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen A. Jonik  
Township Secretary